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Application of: Daniel A. Hilbrich

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FOR: FILTERING DEVICE FOR AN ESPRESSO-TYPE COFFEE MAKER

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office action having a mail date of April 21, 2004, setting a one-month shortened statutory period for reply. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

- 1. (Twice amended) A filtering device for an espresso-type coffee maker of the type having a spout to deliver heated water under high pressure to finely ground coffee beans to brew coffee therefrom, and a receptacle to receive brewed filtered coffee, means defining a flow path between said finely ground beans to said receptacle, comprising:
- a [metallic] <u>permanent</u> filter in said path of heated coffee passing to the receptacle which filter has openings sized to filter out the fine espresso coffee grounds; and